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The Forty-fifth Annual Convention at Tulsa

Mrs. Walter D. Lamar was reelected President-General of the United Daughters of the Confederacy at the Forty-fifth Annual Convention held November 15-18 at Tulsa, Oklahoma. Mrs. Lamar has served one term, being elected to this high office in Richmond in 1937. Other general officers were reelected except the Recording Secretary-General and the Custodian of Crosses of Honor, and Military Service, whose terms expired by limitation. Mrs. Lutie Haley Walcott of Oklahoma City succeeds Mrs. H. W. Eckhardt of New Orleans, and Mrs. Marcus Wade Crocker of Columbus, Ohio, succeeds Mrs. L. B. Newell of Charlotte. Mrs. J. P. Higgins of St. Louis, was elected Honorary President.

The convention opened Tuesday night when Welcome Evening took place in the crystal ballroom of the Mayo Hotel where all the meetings were held. The following program was given Tuesday night:

Processional: Mrs. R. Sidney Cox, President Virginia Division, Director.

March: Orchestra.

Invocation: The Rev. Forney Hutchinson, D.D., Pastor Boston Avenue M. E. Church, South, Chaplain Trans-Miss. Dept. S. C. V.

Violin—"Medley of Southern Airs": Mrs. James Perry.

Welcome in behalf of the State of Oklahoma: Hon. E. W. Marland, Governor.

Welcome in behalf of the City of Tulsa: T. A. Penney, Mayor.

Welcome in behalf of the Oklahoma Division U. D. C.: Mrs. Theodore Irving Sullivan, President.

Welcome in behalf of the Past Presidents' Association of Oklahoma Division U. D. C.—Mrs. W. T. Culbertson, Past President.

Welcome in behalf of the United Daughters of the Confederacy of Tulsa—Mrs. F. W. Purdy, Past President, Oklahoma Division U. D. C.

Welcome in behalf of the Confederate Memorial Literary Society—Mrs. James Armstrong, President, Oklahoma Division Confederate Memorial Literary Society.

Welcome in behalf of the General Federation of Women's Clubs—Mrs. Roberta Campbell Lawson, Past President of Women's Federated Clubs.

Response to Address of Welcome—Mrs. John M. Wilcox, Houston, Texas.

Indian Sign Language to "Pale Moon"—Miss Mayme Thompson, Mrs. A. C. Wilcoxenson, soloist, Mrs. Harry Potts, accompanist.

Greetings:

General John W. Harris, Commander-in-Chief of Confederate Veterans.

Hon. Clifton Ratliff, Past Commander of Trans-Miss. Dept. S. C. V.

John Wilson, Commander of Standwatie Camp, S. C. V.

Albert Edward Galloway, Commander of Joe Carson Post, American Legion.

Scott Lyfinger, Commander of Fitzhugh Lee Post, V. F. W.

Mrs. Glenn Blanchard, American Legion Auxiliary, Tulsa.

Mrs. N. R. Patterson, Regent, Tulsa Chapter, D. A. R.

Mrs. Omar K. Benedict, Oklahoma Regent, Daughters of 1812.

Vocal Solo—(Music selected): E. J. Sawyer.

Presentation of President-General: Mrs. Ben Eyler Chaney.

Presentation of Honorary Presidents: Mrs. Herman Jones, Auburn, Ala.

Response for Honorary Presidents: Mrs. P. H. P. Lane, Philadelphia, Pa.

Presentation of Past Presidents-General: Mrs. J. Sumter Rhame, Charleston, S. C.

Response for Past Presidents-General: Mrs. W. C. N. Merchant, Chatham, Va.

Message from Indians of Oklahoma: Acee Blue Eagle.

Presentation of Chairman of Pages: Mrs. Grover Cleveland Spillers.

Presentation of Pages: Mrs. John Collinson, Baltimore, Md.

Presentation of Distinguished Guests: Mrs. Walter D. Lamar.

"Go Down Death" and "The Prodigal Son" from "God's Trombones": Mrs. F. M. Aldridge.

"Dixie": Orchestra.

A reception followed in honor of the President-General, general officers, delegates and registered guests. The receiving hostesses were: Mrs. John L. Smiley, President Tulsa Chapter, U. D. C., and Mrs. O. H. Hovis, President Clement A. Evans Chapter, U. D. C.

The first business session, held Wednesday morning was featured by the report of Mrs. Walter D. Lamar, President-General. She gave a brief review of the activities of the organization, allowing the chairmen of the various committees to make their reports in a more detailed form. Mrs. Lamar's report showed that she had been diligent in the affairs of her office and had given whole-hearted service during the first year as head of the organization.

The beautiful memorial service held Wednesday afternoon was in charge of Mrs. Charles E. Bolling of Richmond, as-

sisted by Mrs. George Dismukes and Mrs. D. C. Farnhan.
The program follows:

Invocation: Reverend Edward H. Eckel, Jr., Rector Trinity Episcopal Church.

Music: Baritone Solo—"The Lord's Prayer"—By Malotte—Mr. Marion Catron.

Address: Memorial to Confederate Veterans, Daughters of the Confederacy, and Sons of Confederate Veterans—Mrs. Michael Conlan.

"Light Shineth Through the Darkness"

Reading: Hymn 410, Episcopal Church Hymnal—Rev. Edward H. Eckel, Jr.

Special Memorials: Captain Samuel A. Ashe—Brigadier General, U. C. V.—Mrs. John H. Anderson.

Mrs. I. F. Faison, Honorary President United Daughters of the Confederacy—Mrs. L. B. Newell.

Mrs. W. L. Kline, Past President Missouri Division—Mrs. J. P. Higgins.

Mrs. Valery Edward Austin—Texas Division—Mrs. John M. Wilcox.

Mrs. Heyward Taylor—Honorary President North Carolina Division—Mrs. C. W. Spencer.

Mrs. Frances Baker Meachem—Robert E. Lee Chapter, Portland, Oregon—Mrs. Medora A. Shackelford Whitfield.

Mrs. Sidney P. Cooper—President Vance County Chapter, Henderson, North Carolina—Mrs. C. V. Singleton.

Mother C. B. Gillespie—Honorary President Mississippi Division—Mrs. Charles K. Hickey.

Mrs. Joseph L. Griswold—Honorary President California Division—Mrs. F. B. Harrington.

Music: "Jerusalem the Golden"—Double Quartette and Soprano Solo.

Roll Call of States: Placing of flowers in wreath in memory of members who have passed into Life Eternal since the Forty-fourth Annual Convention.

Benediction: Reverend Edward H. Eckel, Jr.

Taps.

Mrs. Harry D. Allen, Third Vice President-General, after presenting the report of the Children of the Confederacy, made the following awards:

Robert H. Ricks banner—Thomas Jethro Brown chapter, Winston-Salem, N. C.; honorable mention, John B. Gordon chapter, Thomaston, Ga.; and Boston Juniors, Boston, Mass.

Grace Clare Taylor loving cup—Olivia Harris chapter, Belton, Texas, 66 new members.

Mrs. W. S. Coleman loving cup—Robert E. Lee chapter, New York City, 80 books; Thomas Jethro Brown chapter, Winston-Salem, N. C., with 21 books and 400 magazines.

Katie Jordan Dennis loving cup—Mrs. Belmont Dennis, Covington, Ga.; honorable mention, Mrs. J. F. Hayden, North Carolina, and Mrs. Marion D. Walker, Florida division.

Ann Flagg Harvey loving cup—Mrs. Belmont Dennis, Georgia division, with 272 new members; honorable mention, Willa Stephenson, Texas division, with 183 new members.

Mrs. Thomas Lee Craig medal—Samuel A. Ashe chapter, Wadesboro, N. C., 5.

Lindsley trophy—Thompson-Weaver chapter, Covington, Ga.; honorable mention, Charles M. Stedman chapter, Washington, D. C., and Mary Alexander Fields, Greenwich, Conn.

\$10 prize offered by Mrs. William A. Coleman of Virginia

—Francis Jean Mann, Miami Beach, Fla.; honorable mention, Helen Mae Hardeman, Memphis, Tenn.

\$5 prize offered by Mrs. Frank Dennis of Eatonton, Ga.—The General Braxton Bragg chapter, Memphis, Tenn.; honorable mention, Powden C. J. Watson, Georgetown, S. C., and Mary Custis Lee, Ohio division.

\$5 offered by Mrs. Frank Dennis—Georgia division.

Award offered by Mrs. Fred Greer of Newport, Tenn.—Willa Stephenson, Texas; honorable mention, Mrs. C. F. Williams, Virginia division, Minna McLeod, South Carolina division, and Mrs. Belmont Dennis, Georgia.

Award offered by Mrs. Fred Greer of Newport, Tenn.—Mrs. Francis Beall, West Virginia division; honorable mention, Mrs. T. D. Ross, Oklahoma; Mrs. Maurice Clyde, Missouri; Mrs. H. S. Dunn, Michigan.

Prize awarded by Mrs. Fred Greer of Newport, Tenn.—Mrs. Belmont Dennis, with six new chapters.

A grand prize—Tennessee division, Miss Lucyle Campbell, leader, \$57.50; honorable mention, Mrs. Belmont Dennis, Georgia, with \$32.50.

Prize offered by the division directors for the chapter sending in the most money to the Children of the Confederacy scholarship—The Shelby Greys, Memphis, Tenn.; Mrs. J. L. Manire, director. Honorable mention—J. E. B. Stuart chapter, Baltimore, Md.

GENERAL ESSAYS

Five dollar prize offered by Mrs. C. A. Souther, president, Michigan division, U. D. C., for the best essay submitted on "Sidney Lanier, Confederate Soldier, Poet, Musician"—Carolyn Baird, Little Rock, Ark. Honorable mention—Julia Abbot Thornhill, junior chapter, Lynchburg, Virginia; Mary Frances Kerr, Yanceyville, N. C.

Five dollar prize offered by Mrs. Cora B. Tally, Washington, D. C., in memory of her son, Carlton Tally, for the best essay on "The Charge of the Cadets at Newmarket"—Louise Ralph, Maj. Charles M. Stedman chapter, Washington, D. C.

Medal offered by Mrs. H. W. Eckhart, recording secretary-general, New Orleans, La., in memory of her mother, for the best essay on "The Life of J. E. B. Stuart"—Mary Virginia Hartley, Clifton Forge, Va.

Ann Sevier cup for the best essay on "The Right of Secession"—Connie Carter, member of Bessie Hunt Dantzler chapter, Biloxi, Miss.

Ten dollar prize offered by Mr. T. J. Gay, Little Rock, Ark., for the best essay on the "Homes of Robert E. Lee"—Joe Magee, Rockbridge Grays chapter, Lexington, Va.

Prize, offered by third vice president-general for the best essay on "The Life of Jefferson Davis"—Eugenia Phillips Hopkins, Griffin, Ga.

In reporting her work Mrs. William Cabell Flournoy, Historian-General, gave a summary of the work of the divisions, citing briefly the high spots. She announced that more than 6,000 books had been placed in schools and libraries; also radio talks on Southern history, as well as flags and pageants presented.

Winners announced by Mrs. Flournoy, are as follows:

Mildred Lewis Rutherford loving cup, best criticism of history or biography on the period of War Between the States, to Mrs. W. D. Barrow, Greenwood, S. C.

A de luxe edition of "Virginia, the Old Dominion," by Dr.

Matthew Page Andrews, for best sketches of rôles played by John Martin, Christopher Newport and Gabriel Archer in founding of Jamestown, Va., to Mrs. W. J. Boyle, Baton Rouge, La.

New \$25 prize, offered by Mrs. Lamar, president-general, to division showing greatest increase in numbers, to North Carolina.

Prize of \$10 for best play on Confederate history to Mary Ellis, Kansas, City, Mo.

William Jackson Walker cup for greatest number of southern volumes placed in schools or libraries, to North Carolina division.

Thomas D. Osborne cup for best collection of incidents of heroism during the War Between the States, to Mrs. C. W. Daugette, Alabama.

John A. Perdue cup for Confederate soldier diary, to Mrs. Ivey C. Melton.

Bennett cup to division historian recording best history by counties, to Mrs. T. J. Starke, Virginia.

Essay prize of \$25 on Invention of Reaper, to Mrs. Jamie Harris, Austin, Texas.

Essay prize of \$15 for best essay on "Cultivation of Rice in Old South," to Annie Belle Fogg, Frankfort, Ky.

Prize of \$25 for best essay on "Cultivation of Cotton in Old South," to Mrs. William E. Fox, Richmond, Va.

Prize of \$15 for best essay on "The Iron Industry in Old South," to Mrs. Blaine Holliman, Jr., Columbus, Ga.

Prize of \$25 offered by Texas division and Mrs. J. C. Eichlitz of the Dallas chapter for best essay on "Cultivation of Cotton," Edith Pope, Tenn.

Raines banner for the best historical work was won by North Carolina.

The *Tulsa World* describes the Historical Evening on Thursday night presided over by Mrs. William Cabell Flournoy, Historian-General, in the following way:

"The splendor and beauty of the early south was dramatized Thursday night when the United Daughters of the Confederacy donned authentic costumes for the annual 'historical' fete of its convention here.

"An Evening in '61,' a playlet depicting southern life just before the War Between the States, was presented by the Tulsa chapter U. D. C. under the direction of Ethel Deane. Auction parties, sacrificing valuable heirlooms, to raise military funds inspired the skit.

"A colorful tribute to Gen. Robert E. Lee was presented by Senator Josh Lee of Oklahoma. In a brief appearance, Mrs. Laura Krey, author of 'And Tell of Time,' stressed the importance of the study of history and tradition as a binding social force. She observed that 'life is essentially the same from one generation to the next—only styles change.'

"In his eulogy of General Lee, the Oklahoma orator-senator declared, 'No matter whether we first heard of him as Gen. Robert E. Lee or Marse Robert, we are tonight attempting to honor his name but in reality are most honoring ourselves, because a man's character is reflected by the hero he worships. We can tell a man's character by the books he reads, by the music he loves, or the hero he worships.'

"Wearing an orchid hoop-skirt frock of early southern style, Mrs. William Cabell Flournoy of Lexington, Va., historian-general, introduced the speakers.

"Character parts in the play, originated by Mrs. John L.

Smiley and dramatized by Mrs. Charles L. Reed, were taken by Dan Burton, Mrs. J. D. Rhodes, Beverly Chastain, Martha Jay Heaveney, John Spivey, Joe Thornton, Mrs. R. R. Lawrence, Theresa Fro Grimes, Barbara Purlee, Marilyn Hill, Sally Grimes, Mrs. Vernon S. Purlee and Ed Crossland. 'Darky quartet' was composed of Vernon Purlee, Dr. Ira Parker, Hansel Johnson and Don Burch.

"One of the most interesting costumes of the evening was worn by Mrs. William H. Kolts, Tulsa. Her period dress was handed down to her from her grandmother, Mary Ann Goodwin, the granddaughter of Governor Spotswood of Virginia. Her grandmother wore the dress at the White House the year before President Lincoln was elected."

Outstanding veterans and descendants of Confederate veterans were presented crosses at the opening part of the program.

These were presented by Mrs. L. B. Newell, Custodian, and Mrs. Walter D. Lamar, President-General, who conferred the decorations on the following:

World War—

William Saunders Roberts, first lieutenant, Signal Corps, U. S. A.

Victor Murat Locke, Jr., lieutenant colonel, Infantry, U. S. A.

Benjamin H. Colbert, private, U. S. A.

General Joshua B. Lee, 135th Infantry, 34th Division, U. S. A.

Spanish American War—

Benjamin H. Colbert, private, Troop "F," Roosevelt's Rough Riders.

Edward Crossland, 1st Tennessee Infantry, U. S. A.

Victor Murat Locke, Jr., lieutenant colonel, Infantry, U. S. A.

Philippine Insurrection—

Edward Crossland, 1st Tennessee Infantry, U. S. A.

Mrs. John L. Woodbury receiving crosses for Kentucky Historical Society.

The two most widely discussed amendments to the by-laws as proposed by the committee on revision of by-laws, were defeated. These were: To discontinue the eligibility of great-nieces and confine the regulations to those of lineal descent, and the increase of the general tax to 50c. The term of the second vice president-general was increased to three years.

Charleston, South Carolina, was selected as a place of meeting for next year. Phoenix, Arizona, and St. Louis also extended invitations.

A total of \$4,120.60 was pledged by the divisions for the Mrs. Norman V. Randolph Relief Fund for needy Confederate Women. Nearly \$50.00 was raised by a basket collection, this to be applied to the fund as a tribute to the memory of Will Rogers, Oklahoma's best beloved son. Four new chapters were chartered during the year.

The final event of the convention was the pilgrimage to Fort Gibson and the Jefferson Davis cabin where the noted Chieftain of the Confederacy served as a lieutenant in the United States Army.

THE BULLETIN prize was awarded to the Texas Division for the most subscriptions per capita. This was given by Mrs. Howard J. Nuckols, of Richmond. A similar prize for the smaller divisions, given by THE BULLETIN committee, was awarded to the New York Division. Honorable mention was made of the Stars and Bars Chapter of Detroit, its subscriptions to THE BULLETIN numbering more than one half of its membership.

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DECEMBER, 1938

Reaching Our Goal

THE U. D. C. BULLETIN Committee announces with pride that it reached its goal of 1,440 paid subscriptions, which has enabled it to pay for itself this year.

It is a matter of joy to each member of the committee—Mrs. C. W. Daugette of Alabama, Mrs. A. Belmont Dennis of Georgia, Mrs. William M. Forrest of Virginia, Mrs. Glenn Long of North Carolina, and Anne V. Mann, chairman—that this excellent record was made during the first year of THE BULLETIN. The committee congratulates the members of the U. D. C. for their fine work. THE BULLETIN will continue along similar lines during 1939, and the committee begs you not to rest on your laurels, but to continue your good work.

To function properly your chairman should have the names of the presidents of each division, especially if new ones have been elected, and it is absolutely important that the names of each director be sent at once. While many of these may be the same, yet there may be changes which, if not known, will hamper the work of THE BULLETIN.

More subscriptions will be needed during the coming year as the expense will be greater. Your chairman begs you to remember this and send your re-

newals as soon as possible. If you do not receive your copy please report the matter to me. We are anxious to have every subscriber receive each issue. Mistakes occur but we want to do our part in correcting them. Please be sure that the correct address is sent for each subscriber.

Your chairman attended the Tulsa Convention and is appreciative of the fine remarks about THE BULLETIN. The committee has striven to make it a factor in U. D. C. work. Its success is assured for the coming year if you will do your best.

More prizes have been offered for the coming year. These will appear in the January issue. The committee again thanks the members of the U.D.C. for wholehearted support.

ANNE V. MANN, Chairman.

Rules Governing the Award of Prizes for Contributions to the Davis Statue

Mrs. P. H. P. Lane has secured valuable engravings of Jefferson Davis by Sartain, an artist of national and international reputation. She offers these engravings as prizes to Chapters and Directors under the following conditions:

For each Division of less than five chapters, she offers one of these engravings to the chapter contributing the largest amount per capita. To each division with more than five and less than ten chapters, she offers three engravings for the three chapters contributing the

largest amounts per capita. To each division with more than ten chapters, she offers five engravings to those chapters contributing the largest amount per capita. For the chapters where there is no division, an engraving will be given to the three chapters contributing the largest amounts per capita.

Only contributions made between October 15, 1938, and October 15, 1939, will be considered in this contest.

The division presidents must advise the chairman, Mrs. L. M. Bashinsky, Troy, of the winning chapters that she may deliver engravings in time for the president of the division to present them at the division convention. Each chapter where there is no division must report amount contributed direct to the general chairman. All money must be sent to Mrs. John Taylor, Treasurer-General, Keytesville, Mo.

To those chapters holding their conventions in the spring, engravings will be sent to be delivered to the winning chapters at that time. Other engravings will be provided for these divisions in the spring of 1940 for award in the division conventions.

If these rules are not clear, the chairman, Mrs. L. M. Bashinsky, Troy, will be glad to give any further information desired concerning these awards, so generously given by Mrs. P. H. P. Lane.

These engravings merit the best effort of competition and we hope will prove an incentive for a generous response to the Davis Statue Fund.

ELIZABETH B. BASHINSKY,
Chairman.

The United Daughters of the Confederacy Memorial Edition of THE RISE AND FALL OF THE CONFEDERATE GOVERNMENT by Jefferson Davis is being mailed to subscribers. The mailing will be completed on December 5th and all sets should be received by December 12th.

The first set of books was on display at the Tulsa Convention. The president of one division wrote the publishers as follows: "I am just back from Tulsa where I had the pleasure of seeing one splendid copy of *The Rise and Fall of the Confederate Government* by Jefferson Davis in reprint. It is indeed fine and I wish every person would avail himself of the opportunity of paying honor to a loved one."

The date for purchasing the set for \$4.00 has been extended to December 31, 1938. After that date the price will advance to \$5.00 per set. Many sets have been purchased for Christmas presents. It is a gift of lasting joy and will bring pleasure to the recipient throughout life.

Send orders with check direct to Garrett & Massie, Publishers, Richmond, Virginia. If no order blanks are available orders may be sent on plain stationery. (Print names for accuracy.) Give the name of school, library, institution or individual to whom the books are to be presented.